



2009 Children's Champions Award Application

Based on the descriptions on the reverse side, check the category that best fits your nominations:

- The Rookie of the Year Award The Phyllis Helbraun Award
 The Dynamic Group Award The Champion in the Trenches Award
 It Takes a Whole Community Award

Candidate's Name _____ Phone # _____
Address _____ Work # _____

Your Name _____ Phone # _____
Affiliation _____ Work # _____

Candidate(s) Job Title _____

Where is the candidate currently employed? _____

How many years has the candidate been in this position? _____

Describe 3 – 5 accomplishments this person has made on behalf of children:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

How has this person gone above their normal job requirements? (You may use additional paper if necessary)

Why do you feel we should select this candidate? (You may use additional paper if necessary)

If your candidate is not selected this year, would you like us to re-submit this application for next year? Yes No

We only contact persons selected as Children's Champions. We do not contact those not selected this year.

2009 Children's Champion Awards

Child Care Resources of Rockland is looking for four individuals and one group who have demonstrated their commitment to making our community a more caring place for children. Awards will be made at the Children's Champion Dinner in April. Your nominations must be received by **January 9, 2009**.

Nominations may be mailed to: CCRR, 235 North Main Street – Suite 11, Spring Valley, NY 10977 Attn: Elaine Trotta,
or faxed to 845-425-5312 or emailed to info@rocklandchildcare.org
Questions? Call Elaine Trotta at 845-425-0009 x421

- Please submit **each** application on a separate form.

Categories

The Phyllis Helbraun Award to an individual for a body of distinguished service, over many years, to the early childhood or school age care community. We are looking for someone who has improved the delivery of services for children on a countywide, state, or national level.

The Rookie of the Year Award to an individual who has entered the field within the last three years, has shown outstanding ability and demonstrated a commitment to a career working with children. This nomination should describe the candidate's capabilities with children and evidence of professional growth.

The Dynamic Group Award to a group of individuals who have worked together as a team to improve the lives of children. This nomination should describe specific outstanding innovative projects and/or programs undertaken by this team. Please list all the team members and their roles.

The Champion in the Trenches Award to an individual who is working directly with children in a classroom, a family child care home or school age care setting. This nomination should describe the candidate's work with children and how that demonstrates his/her exceptional commitment to giving every child and family the opportunity to thrive. The candidate must have a minimum of five years experience.

It Takes a Whole Community Award to an individual who has made a significant contribution to improving the lives of children and families outside of the early care and education community. This nomination should specifically describe how the individual has extended him or herself to make life better for children and families in Rockland.

Children's Champions Roster

"The Phyllis Helbraun Award"

Mary Jane Pauling	1996
Irma Ramirez	1997
Dennis Fleming	1998
Kathleen Sweeney	1999
Ann Taylor	2000
Jane Stirling	2001
Sandy Platzman	2002
Judith Savage	2003
Harriet Cornell	2004
Debra Tietze	2005
E. Diane Rivera	2006
Debrann Giannella	2007
Judy Kesselman	2008

"Dynamic Group"

George Miller Inclusion Team	1996
East Ramapo Pre-Kindergarten	1997
Martin Luther King – SAC Program	1998
West Haverstraw Elementary	1999
Puddle Jumpers	
East Ramapo Kindergarten Staff	2000
Riverview Nursery School	2001
LAP Network	2002
Rockland 21 st Century	2003
Collaborative for Children & Youth Family Resource Center	
Coordinators	
Christa Care and Nyack's Little Schoolhouse	2004
YMCA at Montebello	2005
Half Day Morning Teachers of the Montessori Center of Nyack	2006
After-School Team at Kid's Kingdom	2007
Children's Center of Pearl River	2008

"Champion in the Trenches"

Ellen Mitchell	1996
Schiendl Michalowicz	1997
Max McClintock	1998
Elaine Kosinski	1999
Lauren Grennan	2000
Marybeth Hodgens	2001
Rashmi Bakshi	2002
Sunita Badgular	2003
Stacy Butterworth	2004
Elizabeth Bloch	2005
Rosamarie Buccì	2006
April David	2007
Majoleine Charlotin	2008

"Rookie of the Year"

Arther Gunther III	1996
Bonnie Rose	1997
Juliet Stiebeck	1998
Danelle Green	1999
Pat Warren	2000
Melissa Velez	2001
Kris Edelman	2002
Anne Nissen	2003
Tricia Blake	2004
Danielle Keene	2005
Cara Pezzo	2006
Rachel Moss	2007
Dina Abedelhadi	2008

"It Takes a Whole Community"

Dr. Paul Bloom	1996
Dr. Fred Frelow	1997
Dr. Pat Chiarelli	1998
Dr. Susan Gordon	1999
Kid's Corner Board of Directors	2000
Harriet Waldman	2001
Ron Figueroa	2002
Alexandreana Dixon	2003
James Neeck	2004
Roberta Zampolin	2005
Jason Friedman	2006
Leonard Bernstein	2007
Olivia Thomas	2008